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### MAINTAIN EFFICIENCY

The railroads of the United States in letters to public service commissions have announced that the work of eliminating grade crossings is not "essential in winning the war" and will therefore be suspended for the duration of the conflict. The building of new depots is also named as being an unnecessary expense.

Strict war economy should be practiced by all public and private corporations, but not at the expense of the efficiency of these organizations. Conservation of resources should not be used as an excuse for inefficiency or the adding of needed improvements. The place where an American life is lost is immaterial—be it a dangerous railroad crossing or a foreign battlefield. The lives of those who stay at home to bolster the industries of the nation are as precious as those who go forth to defend her honor. The inner life of the United States must be carried on with the same degree of effectiveness.

Where economy and conservation can be practiced without lowering the power of any machine or organization they should be applied at every opportunity, but, like other things pertaining to physical struggle, war economy should not be made to run wild. It should be taken with a pinch of conservatism—economy, not for its own sake, but as an "anti-fat" potion to whip into fighting trim a too corpulent nation.

An overdose may mean the weakening of the economic structure.

### DEPENDS ON FRANCE

Premier Lloyd George said last week that the success of the Allies depend on the spirit of the French people. This is one of the big things that Lloyd George has said since his last visit to the front in France. He was astonished at the enthusiasm and freshness and calm confidence of the men and women of France.

France has suffered more than any other country in this war because all the big battles have been fought on her soil. She has stood the most terrific blows of the Germans. The spirit of the French people is today fresher and more vigorous than ever before.

It has been the most wonderful sacrifice that a people can make, that of the French, but the reward is to those that persevere, and it will come soon and France will be greater than before. The history of her people will be an example to all generations. The war depends on the spirit of the French and the spirit of the French will not fail.

Vive la France.

Those whose numbers indicate that they will not be drawn until the second or third draft had best consider this fact and start worrying: Hundreds of drafted men are swarming into the ranks of the regular army, thus leaving fewer men to choose from. This may crowd up the order of draft and encroach upon those who consider themselves temporarily safe.

A campaign has been started in Washington to secure a rebate for those women carrying packages home as a war economy measure. Another use for the trading stamp.

A clear conscience is essential to happiness; therefore it pays to be honest and to treat the other fellow as one would like to be treated.

Elimination of extravagance and waste is a patriotic duty.

Hysterical economy is a crime against business now.

This is no time for slackers, fault finders or pessimists.

## THE OPEN COLUMN

### For a Public Park.

Editor the Missourian: Columbia has a population of about thirteen thousand, and it seems to me that some provision should be made here for a public park. The townspeople do not see the necessity of such a place for amusement. They depend too much upon the University to furnish all amusement in Columbia. It should be taken into consideration that many people do not live near the University, and do not go to the campus to take a pleasant stroll or enjoy a warm evening under the trees. It would be a good thing if Columbia could secure a plot of ground centrally located, and establish a park and playground.

Many cities have made the mistake of disregarding the park until all of the land centrally located was used up. If Columbia could do something about it now before the city grows any larger, she would not regret it. Later on when more ground is built up with business houses and residences, it will be very difficult to find a suitable place for a park, and it will mean the expenditure of a large sum of money. This is a splendid time to start a park for Columbia.

B. H. C.

### Sayings of the Day

Japan's concern has been not primarily to prevent China from entering the war, but to prevent her from entering the war under American auspices. And since she was likely to enter the war anyway, after the break, she must do so under Japanese auspices. Holding a club over the European Entente Powers, she (Japan) has been able to force them to acknowledge her protectorate over China.—Dr. J. F. Abbott, Professor of History at Washington University.

My viewpoint has changed entirely on some things since I came to the Officers' Training Camp. I thought po-

liteness and gentleness were the best ways to get results. Now I know differently. Another change in me is in assurance and self-confidence. I am going to start four or five paces ahead of my men, and I am going to stay that far ahead. I used to take a drink occasionally at home. Since I have come here I have neither taken nor seen anything to drink, and the one thing I am sure of is that I will never take another.—Student Officer at Fort Riley.

The military problem of the campaign of 1917-18 is unmistakable. It must be to break in the dikes erected about this Central European empire. Failing this, it must be to apply steadily and unceasingly such pressure on the outside that the demands for peace within shall rise until they can no longer be silenced.—Frank H. Simonds, special writer for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The selected man offers his life. It will strengthen you to remember that for every exemption or discharge that is made for individual convenience, or to escape personal loss of money or property or for favor or affection, some other man whose time would not otherwise have come must incur the risk of losing his life.—General Enoch Crowder.

### BOONE COUNTY HOGS SELL HIGH

Shipments of J. W. Kemper Brings Best Price Paid in E. St. Louis.

Missouri hogs Monday sold for \$16.65 per hundred weight, establishing the highest price ever paid for hogs at the National Stock Yards, East St. Louis, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat today. J. W. Kemper of Boone County delivered fifty-seven of the animals, averaging 335 pounds, at that price.

### John Welch Here on Visit.

John Welch, an alumnus of the University, now living in Peoria, Ill., is in Columbia for a 3-day visit with his father, J. B. Welch.

### THOSE CLAIMING DISCHARGE FROM DRAFT FILL THIS

Local Board	Serial No.
(Insert designation by stamp as directed by Sec. 3 of Regulations.)	
Read instructions on back before making out this claim.	
Form No. 121, prepared by Provost Marshal General.	
Form to be used when person claiming discharge files claim himself.	
CLAIM OF DISCHARGE FROM SELECTIVE DRAFT	
I, .....	Serial Number .....
(Name of person making claim for discharge.)	(Insert same number as appears on notice for physical examination.)
hereby certify that I am ..... years old and reside at .....	
(Street and number.)	
(City or town and county or township or parish.) (State, territory or Dist.)	
I hereby respectfully claim discharge from the selective draft on the following ground, that I am:	
Instruction: Place a cross (X) before grounds of discharge relied upon.	
(a) ..... A county or municipal officer.	
(The term "county or municipal officers" is defined by the rules and regulations promulgated under the Selective Service Act to be any county or municipal officer, including therein officers of townships, cities, boroughs, parishes, towns and villages, who has been elected to his office by popular vote and whose office may not be filled by appointment for an unexpired term.)	
(b) ..... A customhouse clerk of the United States.	
(c) ..... A person employed by the United States in the transmission of mails.	
(d) ..... An artificer or workman employed in—	
—an arsenal—armory	
(Strike out words not applicable.)	
—or navy yard—of the United States.	
(e) ..... A person employed in the service of the United States necessary to the adequate and effective operation of a department, commission, board, bureau, or division or branch of the Government.	
(f) ..... A licensed pilot.	
(g) ..... A mariner actually employed in the sea service of a citizen or merchant within the United States.	
(h) ..... A person having dependents upon his labor for support (and also mark with a cross (X) one of the following five subclasses:)	
..... 1. A married man with wife or child dependent upon his labor for support.	
..... 2. A son of a widow dependent upon his labor for support.	
..... 3. A son of aged or infirm parent or parents dependent upon his labor for support.	
..... 4. A father of a motherless child under 16 years of age dependent upon his labor for support.	
..... 5. A brother of child (or children) under 16 years of age who has or have neither father nor mother and is (or are) dependent upon his labor for support.	
(i) ..... A person who was a member of a well-recognized religious sect or organization, organized and existing May 18, 1917, whose then existing creed and principles forbade its members to participate in war in any form and whose religious convictions are against war or participation therein in accordance with the creed or principles of said well-recognized religious sect or organization.	
(j) ..... A person convicted of a felony.	
(Signature of person claiming discharge for himself.)	
(Address.)	
Dated ..... day of ..... 191 .....	
(Day.)	(Month.) (Year.)
(Fill in date.)	

As the registered men in Boone County appear at the Courthouse for examination for the draft army, all those claiming discharge from the draft are given an opportunity to file their claim with the board. Only those specified by the President as not coming within the scope of the draft, including government officers, duly ordained ministers of religion, students of divinity, persons in the military and naval service of the United States, subjects of Germany and resident aliens not German, file claims of exemption. All other claims against service in the draft army are "claims of discharge from selective draft."

### T. D. JONES ON EXPORTS BOARD

Man Rejected for Federal Reserve Board Succeeds E. N. Hurley.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, August 9.—Thomas D. Jones, Chicago business man and capitalist, whose nomination to the Federal Reserve Board was opposed by the Senate after a memorable fight has been appointed a member of the Exports Administration Board, succeeding Edward N. Hurley, who became chairman of the Shipping Board. The Exports Administrative Board is the right hand of the Exports Council, through which supplies are being kept from being sent to Germany by way of neutrals.

The appointment of Jones to the present position requires no approval by the Senate, which rejected his nomination to the Federal Reserve Board in 1913, on the ground of a close connection with "big business."

### RED CROSS WORK GOES ON

Hot Weather and Absence of Women on Vacations No Hindrance.

The program of work at the Red Cross rooms in the Thilo Building is going on just the same during August as it was previous to this time. In spite of the fact that many people have gone away for the summer, there is no decrease in the number of Red Cross workers here.

The mornings are devoted to the making of surgical dressings, and the afternoons are given to sewing on the Red Cross hospital garments. Mrs. Walter Miller, who is at the head of the surgical dressings work, said this afternoon that the work will continue as usual, except that a greater effort will be made to increase the amount of work done.

### NEW BUILDING ON BROADWAY

Frank McKinney to Put Up \$5,000 Two-Story Structure.

Excavation work has begun for a two-story brick building just east of the Broadway Baptist Church, Fourth and Broadway. The building will be put up by Frank McKinney, the owner of the lot. He expects to have the work completed in four or five months. There will be three store rooms on the ground floor, and the upper rooms will be made into a hall. The building will cost about \$5,000 and will be named the McKinney Building.

### MILK PRICE TO REMAIN HIGH

Heavy Rains Will Not Cause Lowering of Cost, Says Dairy.

Notwithstanding the rain which fell the first of the week the price of milk will remain twelve cents a quart, according to the managers of the White Eagle Dairy. The dairy last week raised the price from eight cents. The step was taken not so much on account of the drought, as on account of the high cost of feed for stock, says the White Eagle management.

### TAX COMMISSION STATES STAND

Lower Rates for Taxpayer and Higher for Dodger Is Policy.

The State Tax Commission, charged with the enforcement of the revenue laws, makes its position on tax matters very plain. The Commission authorizes the following as a true statement of its position, and repudiates all or any other representations or misrepresentations:

"Lower rates of taxation for all, lower taxes for all who have been accustomed to paying; larger receipts from tax dodgers and greater value in return for money spent.

"Besides lower rates and lower taxes, the commission will vigorously enforce economy in expenditure and equity in collection.

"The increase of valuation which will follow assessment according to law—actual cash value in money—will be more than offset by reduction in rates. The commission's aim, determination and power will so lower all rates levied as to reduce the amount paid by those heretofore paying.

"The commission insists that literal compliance with the law is absolutely necessary to secure low taxes, uniformity and equity. Any other policy means waste, extravagance, high taxes, inequality, injustice and chaos.

"The supremacy of the law is the welfare of the people."

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### FOR SALE

FOR SALE OR RENT: 12-room modern house in good condition, 205 College, phone 1307-Red. L-304

### MISCELLANEOUS

Lawns, hedges cut and trimmed by experienced gardener. Phone 1307-Black. K-295

### FAMOUS CASE NEAR SETTLEMENT

St. Clair County Bond Issue Trouble in Federal Court 40 Years.

By United Press  
SPRINGFIELD, Mo., August 9.—Litigation over the old railroad bonds issued by St. Clair County, which has dragged through the Federal Court for the last 40 years, will be settled if a compromise proposal made recently by the bondholders is ratified by the taxpayers. The matter will be submitted to the people at a special election to be held in November.

The bondholders have expressed a willingness to accept a settlement on a basis of about 14 per cent on the total indebtedness against the county. The principal and interest on the bonds now total \$4,233,000, many times the face value of the original bonds. The compromise figure is \$350,000.

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